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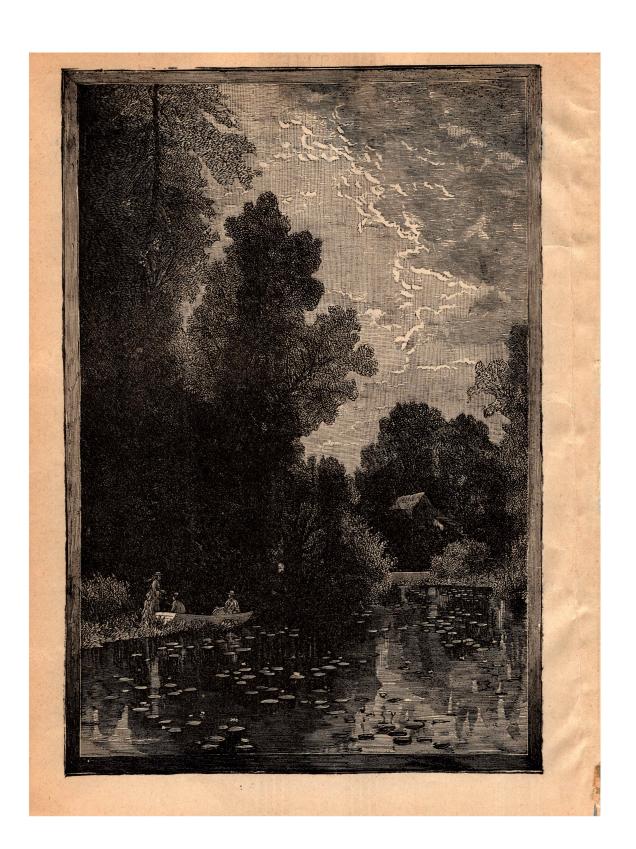
YEAR BOOK,

FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD,

1889.

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ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1889.

This year there will be five Eclipses; three of the Sun and two of the Moon. The first is a total Eclipse of the Sun, January 1st at 3 o'clock 38 minutes in the evening. Visible in the United States as a partial eclipse. The sun sets

eclipsed.

The second is a partial Eclipse of the Moon, January 16th in the evening. Visible generally in Europe, Africa, North America, South America and the Atlantic Ocean. Moon enters shadow at 10 o'clock 20 minutes in the evening. Middle of the eclipse 11 o'clock 51 minutes. Moon leaves shadow 1 o'clock 23 minutes on the morning of the 17th.

The third is an Annular Eclipse of the Sun, June 28th at 3 o'clock in the morning, therefore invisible. Visible in southern Africa and Indian Ocean.

The fourth is a partial Eclipse of the Moon, July 12th at 3 o'clock in the

evening. Invisible here.

March 13.

The fifth is a total Eclipse of the Sun, December 22d at 12 o'clock 23 minutes in the morning, therefore invisible here.

JUPITER (4) IS THE GOVERNING PLANET THIS YEAR.

CHARACTERS OF THE CONSTELLATIONS.

Aries, the Ram.
Taurus, the Bull.
Gemini, the Twins.
Cancer, the Crab.

CHARACTERS OF THE CONSTELLATIONS.

Leo, the Lion.
Capricornus, the Goat.
Aquarius, the Buller.
Pisces, the Fishes.

ASTRONOMICAL CHARACTERS EXPLAINED.

New Moon.

First Quarter, or moon in general.

Full Moon.

Woon's descending Node, or Dragon's Tail.

Moon's Ascension.

 {\text{ Last Quarter, or moon in general.} \text{ Moon's Descension.} \text{ Moon's ascending Node, or Dragon's } \text{ Moon in apogee, furthest from earth.} \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ } \text{ Moon in perigee, nearest to earth.} \text{ } \tex

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

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Golden Number 9 | Solar Cycle 22 | Julian Period 6602
The year 5650 of the Jewish Era commences at sunset, September 26th, 1889.
The year 1307 of the Mohammedan Era commences August the 28th, 1889.

QUATEMBER, OR EMBER DAYS. June 12. September 18.

MOVEABLE FEASTS.

Sexagesima Sunday, February 24.
Quinquagesima Sunday, March 3.
Shrove Tuesday, March 5.
Ash Wednesday, March 6.
Palm Sunday, April 14.
Easter Sunday, April 21.

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Ascension Day, May 30.
Whit Sunday, June 9.
Trinity Sunday, June 16.
Corpus Christi, June 20.
First Sunday in Advent, December 1.
Sundays after Trinity are 23 this year.

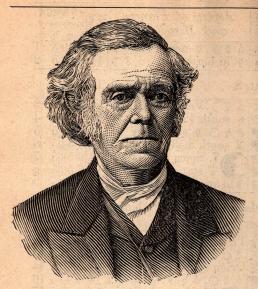
December 18.

THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS.
Spring com. March 21; Summer, June 22; Autumn, Sept. 23; Winter, Dec. 22.

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New Moon 1st at 3 30 eve; cloudy. First Quart. 8th at 7 3 eve; cloudy. Full Moon 17th at 12 3 morn; storm. Last Quart. 24th at 10 19 morn; raw. New Moon 31st 3 33 morn; fair. The 1st cloudy; 2nd, 3rd rain or snow; 4th windy; 5th, 6th variable; 7th, 8th cloudy, snow; 9th, 10th thaw; 11th pleasant; 12th, 13th variable; 14th, 15th, 16th cloudy; 17th, 18th stormy; 19th, 20th cold; 21st moderate; 22nd fair; 23rd cloudy; 24th, 25th cold; 26th pleasant; 27th, 28th cloudy; 29th clearing; 30th, 31st fine, warm.

Franklin said: "Temperance puts wood on the fire, meal in the barrel, flour in the tub, money in the purse, credit in the country, vigor in the body, contentment in the house, clothes on the bairns, intelligence in the brain, and spirit in the constitution."



Rev. David Kaemmerer, D. D.

REV. DAVID-KÆMMERER, D. D., son of David and Anna Kæmmerer, was born the 15th of September, 1802, in Northampton County, Pa., near Easton. In his infancy he was baptized by Rev. Thomas Pomp. He received catechetical instruction from Dr. Hoffeditz, and was by him confirmed, and on that day he was impressed with a call to the ministry. He confided his desire to his pastor, who sent him to Dr. Becker of Kreidersville, Pa., where he received his theological education. He preached one year in Pittsburgh before his ordination. In September, 1827, he was examined and ordained at Little York, Pa. On October 5th he was ordained to the gospel ministry by a committee of Synod which convened at that time. On the 23d of October, 1827, he was married to the daughter of Rev. C. Bliem, of Northampton County Pa. He remained in Pittsburgh till 1840. In 1841 he went to West Brookfield, O. In 1844 he received a call from Wooster, O., having at one time twelve preaching places. In the year 1853 he gave up the eastern part of his charge and moved to Wooster, still engaged in the work of gathering up the scattered sheep, until the year 1864 he resigned his charge—being broken down in health—and moved back again to Pittsburgh with the expectation of living a quiet and retired life. He remained there two years, when he again returned to Wooster and assisted Rev. Derr who had taken his place. He had no regular charge, but employed his time by gathering together the scattered congregations in Wayne, Summit, Portage and Columbiana Counties and securing ministers for them, and for the last five or six years he has been preaching at Wooster to the German part of the Reformed congregation, and now, at the advanced age of eighty-six, he has decided to quit preaching on the 1st day of October, 1888. During his sixty-two years of pastoral work he baptized about 3,000 persons and performed 1,400 marriage ceremonies.

New Year's Greeting.

The Old Year's course is ended, fleeting,
Its scenes of life no more abound;
We send instead our New Year's greeting
To patrons, friends, and all around.

Years come and go. The succession of years marks the rapid flight of time. The parting knell of the year 1888 has been heard in solemn cadence, and, having passed the threshold, we are about to begin the work of the year of Anno Domini 1889, with its issues, responsibilities and duties before us. With what revelations and events the successive days of this year shall be noted, the All-wise God alone knows. But beyond doubt, it will be another "year of the Lord," moving forward under his supervision, and proving instrumental in accomplishing his glorious purposes in regard to the Redeemer's kingdom.

As the world is not yet all pure and sanctified, and as there still remains much to be done for its moral elevation, let all unite in the work to do their part. Let all improve on the past, and do better for the future. Let us use them rightly and manfully, and strive to make this year a blessed and prosperous year for the cause of Christ.

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23 Sat.	54 Serenus		5	2 2 rises 2:5	14 6 33 5 27
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25 Mond'y	56 Victor	9 10 3	105	Andromeda sets 9:14	13 6 31 5 29
26 Tues.	57 Jeremiah	10 10 3 4	9 05	stationary stationary	13 6 29 5 31
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28 Thurs.	59 Macarius	11 58 5 1	2 6 10	Orion south 7:8	13 6 27 5 33

Moon's Phases.

First Quart. 7th at 3 20 eve; variable. Full Moon 15th at 4 40 eve: windy, rain Last Quart. 22d at 6 17 eve; variable.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, 2nd colder, snow; 3rd, 4th stormy, cold: 5th, 6th, 7th variable; 8th, 9th cloudy; 10th rain; 11th clearing; 12th, 13th, 14th variable; 15th rain, stormy; 16th, 17th, 18th warmer, slushy; 19th blustery; 20th, 21s clear; 22nd, 32rd variable; 24th colder; 25th, clear; 26th pleasant; 27th 28th rain.

God respecteth not the arithmetic of our prayers, how many they are; nor the rhetoric of our prayers, how neat they are; nor the music of our prayers, how melodious they are; nor the geometry of our prayers, how long they are; nor the logic of our prayers, how methodical they are—but the divinity of our prayers, how heart-sprung they are. Not gifts, but graces, prevail in prayer.



Rev. P. Herbruck, D. D.

PEV. PETER HERBRUCK, D.D., whose portrait we give above, is one of the patriarchs of the Reformed Church in the West, having been engaged in the work there longer than any Reformed minister now living. He is a native of Rhine, Bavaria, and was born near the village of Grossteinhausen on the 8th of February, 1813. At the age of eighteen he emigrated to this country and found his way to Canton, Ohio, where he studied theology under Rev. Benjamin Faust, then pastor of the Reformed Church at that place. In 1833 he began preaching for Rev. Faust, who was disabled by some affection of the throat; and in 1834, at the death of his preceptor, he was ordained to the ministry and assumed the pastorate of the Canton charge, in which capacity he labored with much self-denial and faithfulness until about three years ago, when a slight stroke of paralysis necessitated his retirement from active work. His ministry at Canton covered a period of fifty-three years and six months of continuous service. The following extract from his Pastoral Record will give some idea of the extent of his work: Funerals, 2,458; marriages, 2,544; baptisms, 5,899; confirmations, 2,855.

What is the Church?

The church, in Scripture language, is "a spiritual house;" "the temple of the living God;" "the habitation of God;" "the body of Christ;" "the flock of God;" "the pillar and ground of the truth."

The church is to be in the world as "salt" for seasoning, as "light" for illuminating, a "rock" for building, a hill for exalting, and a "tower" for protecting.

The church is a living power, of which Christ is the Head, and the depository of truth and grace and salvation. It is designed to "save" men, to reveal to them "the unsearchable riches of Christ," to make known "the manifold wisdom of God," and to give some insight into "the breadth and length and height and depth," that they may "know the love of Christ which passeth knowledge, that they might be filled with all the fullness of God. Thus vast and high and glorious and eternal are the ends for which the church has been established on the earth! Who then would not be a believing, faithful and devoted member of the church?

Death and Eternity.

"Unto dust shalt thou return," is the declaration of Holy Writ, and is unquestionably true. Death is certain, and it will come sooner or later to all. Hence, "set thy house in order." "Prepare to meet thy God;" for "dust thou art, and unto dust thou shalt return!"

"Ye sinners! seek his grace
Whose wrath you can not bear!
Fly to the shelter of his cross,
And find salvation there."

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6 Wed. 65 Ash Wed. 3 47 10 27 Regulus so 10:51 12 6 19 5 41
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Moon's Phases.

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First Quart. 9th at 12 21 eve; snow.

Full Moon 17th at 6 9 morn; clouly.

Last Quart. 24th at 1 16 morn; chang.

New Moon 31st at 5 59 morn; cold.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, 2nd, 3rd variable; 4th, 5th, 6th cold; 7th changeable; 8th 9th, rain or snow: 10th, 11th cloudy; 12th, 13th rain; 14th, 15th cold; 16th pleasant; 17th, 18th cloudy; 19th rain; 20th, 21st raw, cold, 22nd, 23rd snow squalls; 24th, 25th stormy; 26th cold; 27th variable; 28th, 29th warmer; 30th cloudy; 31st strmy, cold.

We are often more ashamed than grieved and humbled for our sins. Our own consciousness of them, and of God's being privy to them, does not pain us near so much as it would to have them known to others. See, therefore, whether what you call your penitence is not more pride than anything else.



Rev. Franklin W. Kremer, D. D.

PEV. FRANKLIN W. KREMER, D. D., is in the thirty-eighth year of his pastorate in the First Reformed' Church, Lebanon, Pa.

Joining the Church.

You ask, "How soon should I join the church?" Just as soon as your heart, under grace, has joined the Savior, having been baptized and instructed in the principles of Christianity. Make the most of your early convictions and love. The whole drift of the Bible is in favor of early acceptance of Christ, prompt trust in Christ, prompt confession of Christ, and prompt obedience to his every call of duty.

System and Integrity.

In order to succeed, we must conduct God's work with the same system, industry and conscientiousness that we would our own. Every dollar received into the Lord's treasury must be strictly accounted for; every subscription paid for a specific object must be rigidly applied; every obligation assumed by the church must be promptly met; and every promise made to do a certain thing or act must be honestly done.

Behavior in Church.

Some persons, when they come into the church before the service commences, begin to talk with each other in the pew. This is a bad habit. It is unbe-

coming, irreverent, and disturbs the meditations of others in the church. You have come up to worship: let that engage your mind and heart.

These Three Things.

Dear reader, there are these three things that earthly riches can never do or secure: they can never satisfy divine justice, they can never pacify divine wrath, nor can they quiet a guilty conscience. And until these things are done man is undone—helpless and hopeless!

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Look mercifully, O Lord, on the morning prayers of thy suppliants, and enlighten with thy healing goodness the secrets of our hearts, that no dark desires may have possession of those whom the light of heavenly grace has renewed: through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Rev. George Wolff, D. D.

PEV. GEORGE WOLFF, D. D., son of Henry and Sarah Wolff, was born in the vicinity of Harrisburg on the 11th day of January, 1822. He was baptized by the Rev. Samuel Gutelius, and confirmed by the Rev. Jacob Sechler, in New Oxford, Adams County, Pa. In the fall of 1841 he entered Marshall College and graduated in 1847. On the 26th day of September, 1848, he was examined by a committee of Westmoreland Classis and was licensed at that meeting of classis to preach the gospel. In October of the same year he received and accepted a call to a charge in Clarion County, Pa. This charge was composed of two congregations, and during the first eighteen months of his ministry there he organized six new congregations. He labored in this field for five years with marked success, and in the fall of 1853 received and accepted a call to the Paradise charge in Northumberland County, Pa. He labored here for seven years, and on the 1st day of January, 1861, he removed to Myerstown and took charge of a new interest there. He served the Womelsdorf, Mt. Etna and Rehrersburg congregations along with the Myerstown interest for a number of years. About eleven years ago these three congregations were constituted a charge, and since then he has served the Myerstown congregation exclusively. The twenty-eight years of his ministry in this charge have been blessed of God, and the results have therefore been most encouraging. During these years he has baptized 1,953, married 1,052, confirmed 1,607. The degree of D. D. was conferred by Ursinus College in 1873. Through his influence and aid nine of his members entered the Christian ministry, and three others are now preparing to enter the sacred calling.

A Lesson for Boys.

Boys, beware and avoid the following described company, which, if persisted in, leads to evil and ruin:

- 1. Those who redicule their parents or disobey their commands.
- 2. Those who desecrate the Sabbath or scoff at religion.
- 3. Those who use profane or filthy language.
- 4. Those who are unfaithful, play truant, and waste their time in idleness.
- 5. Those who are of a quarrelsome disposition.
- 6. Those who take pleasure in torturing animals and insects.
- 7. Those who loaf about saloons or grog-shops, and get drunk.

Easter a Changeable Festival.

Some persons cannot understand why the Easter festival changes dates. We give the following statement which makes it as clear as possible. It used to be observed on the 14th day of the moon, i. e., near the full moon—the same as the Jewish Passover. But the Council of Nice, A. D., 325 ordered Easter to be celebrated on the Sunday next succeeding the full moon that comes on or next after the vernal equinox, March 21; thus making Easter and the related feast and fast days moveable holidays.

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The 1st showers; 2nd, 3rd cloudy; 4th. 5th, 6th rain; 7th, 8th cloudy, 9th, 10th warm; 11th thunder; 12th, 13th variable; 14th thunder showers; 15th clear; 16th cloudy; 17th, 18th rain; 19th, 20th 21st variable; 22nd sultry, showers; 23rd pleasant; 24th, [25th, 26th variable; 27th showers; 28th clear; 29th cloudy; 30th, 31st showers;

Count yourself richer that day you discover a new fault in yourself—not richer because it is there, but richer because it is no longer a secret fault; and if you have not found all your faults (if you have not made mistakes enough to find them all), pray to have them revealed to you, even if the revelation must come in a way that hurts your pride.



Rev. Geo. W. Williard, D. D., LL.D.

©UR friends and patrons will be glad to see in our Almanac the familiar face of Rev. Geo. W. Williard, D. D., LL.D., who is widely known within the bounds of the Synod of Ohio, having been connected with it for thirtyeight years, and has been most intimately associated with all its enterprises. Dr. Williard was born in Frederick Co., Md., June 10, 1818. He completed his literary and theological studies at Mercersburg, Pa.—was licensed and ordained to the gospel ministry in 1840-was pastor of the Jefferson Charge in Maryland four years-supplied the Funkstown congregation (Md.) six months—was pastor of the Huntingdon Charge, Pennsylvania, two years; and three years pastor of the Winchester Charge, Virginia. He came to Columbus, O., in 1850, and had charge of our mission there five years. He removed to Dayton, O., in 1855 -was pastor of the Dayton church five years, and of the Bethel Charge six years. He became President of Heidelberg College in 1866, and continues in the same position. He had the exclusive charge for two years of an Academy in Huntingdon, Pa., in connection with his pastoral work, and edited the Western Missionary (now Christian World) thirteen years whilst residing in Columbus and Dayton. Dr. Williard has been a diligent student as well as

an energetic and successful pastor. Among his literary works we may refer to his translation from the original Latin into English of the Commentary of Dr. Z. Ursinus on the Heidelberg Catechism — his History of Heidelberg College — Treasury of Family Reading, and other smaller publications. He has been a constant contributor to the Christian World and other publications, and has lectured and preached in most of the congregations of the Ohio Synod. His most important work has been in connection with Heidelberg College, over which he has presided twenty-two years, during which time the President's House, Ladies' Boarding Hall and new college building have been erected. By the aid of his colleagues, of whom there are now twelve, and the liberal support of the church, the college has attained a high degree of prosperity, having about 200 students in attendance.

Why Some People Never Prosper.

They manage very badly, work to no advantage, and are withal wasteful. As for instance:

Nice handled knives and forks are thrown into hot water; silver spoons are used to scrape pots and kettles.

Coffee, tea, pepper and spices are left open and lose their strength.

Potatoes in the cellar grow, and the sprouts are not removed until the potatoes are worthless.

Brooms are left in the wet and never hung up, and therefore are soon spoiled.

The flour is sifted in a wasteful manner, and the bread-pan is left with dough sticking to it.

Clothes are left to mold in the closet, or on the line to whip to pieces in the wind.

Tubs and barrels are left in the sun to dry and fall apart.

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If our faith has not for its basis the witness of God, to which we must submit as to an authority outside of, superior to, and independent of, our personal judgment, then that faith is no faith.

URSINUS COLLEGE,

Collegeville, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.



REV. J. H. A. BOMBERGER, D. D., LL.D., Pres't.

REV. H. W. SUPER, D. D., Vice-President.

Ursinus College was founded in 1869, and opened for instruction September, 1870, with Dr. Bomberger and Dr. Super at its head. Associated with them was Professor J. Shelly Weinberger, A. M., a graduate of Yale College. Two years later Professor S. V. Ruby, Esq., A. M., became a member of the faculty. Other gentlemen have served as professors from time to time for a longer or shorter period. But these four, having rendered continuous service to the college since its foundation, are entitled to special mention. The faculty at present consists of Dr. Bomberger, Dr. Super, Professor Weinberger, Professsor Ruby, Edmund Morris Hyde, A. M., Ph.D., (Trinity College), Rev. Francis Hendricks, A. M., (Union College), Rev. M. Peters, A. M., Alcide Reichenbach, A. M., A. L. Landis, M. S., Professor F. W. Steins (Music), two teachers, and the Rev. J. I. Good, D. D., of Philadelphia, is special lecturer to the theological students on "Methods of Christian Work."

The course of study in the Theological De-

partment is that required by the Constitution of the Reformed Church. The college offers the regular classical course, a four years' scientific course, and a literary course, for ladies, of three years. In the Academic Department a two years' Elementary English course is provided, a preparatory course and a normal course, each of three years.

The college aims at direct practical results in all its work. It seeks to prepare preachers rather than theologians; to impart general intellectual culture rather than to make philosophers; to develop character rather than style. Special attention is given to the English language, that the student may learn to overcome provincialisms of every kind and become master of at least his own tongue. The social habits of the students are plain and simple, making no expensive demands for the luxuries and amusements of city life. Opening of fall term, September 3, 1888; winter term, January 7, 1889; spring term, April 8, 1889. Students received at the opening of any term.

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Moon's Phases.

First Quart. 6th at 12 20 morn; warm. Full Moon, 12th at 3 24 eve: showers. Last Quart. 19th at 2 7 eve; fair. New Moon 27th at 6 23 eve: fair.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st cloudy: 2nd, 3rd clear; 4th thunder; 5th, 6th very warm; 7th, 8th showers; 9th, 10th cloudy; 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th showers; 16th, fogry; 17th rain; 18th variable; 19th, clear; 20th, 21st variable; 22nd, 23rd rain; 24th cooler; 25th pleasant; 26th threatening; 27th fair; 28th cloudy; 29th, 30th showers; 31st cloudy.

The primitive Christians prayed when they plowed, sowed, or reaped; when they began to build, or live in the houses they had built; their very salutations were prayers.

He only gets the most out of life who gets the most out of himself for others.



Rev. Isaac H. Reiter, D. D.

REV. ISAAC H. REITER, D. D., son of Wil-Lliam and Susanna Reiter, was born in Amity Township, Berks County, Pa., February 4, 1819. His ancestors were continuously of the Reformed faith, even from about 1700, and emigrated from the Palatinate to America about 1752. He came with his parents to Wooster, Ohio, in 1831. United with the Reformed Church June 12, 1842. Reared on his father's farm. Agent for our church periodicals (Messenger and Zeitschrift) and for the American Bible Society during 1846 and 1847. Clerkship on railroad during 1850 and 1851. Educated in public schools and through private reading, being a diligent student and meanwhile teaching. He completed his studies in the institutions at Tiffin, and graduated from the Theological Seminary June 28, 1854. Licensed November 14th, and ordained 15th. 1854, by Miami Classis. Pastor of the Miamisburg Charge twenty years, 1854 to 1874, and during this time because of the success attending his labors the charge was redivided into three charges. The honorary degree of A. M. was conferred upon him June 26, 1866, by Heidelberg College, and that of D. D. in June, 1874, by Ursinus College. Though not serving

a regular charge since 1874, he has, in view of his executive ability and conscientious devotion, faithfully served the church in different capacities and various ways. He was editor of the Literary Department of the Heidelberg Teacher and Instructor nine years, 1873 to 1882, and editor of the Christian World two years, 1880 to 1882, also doing other literary and statistical work. Member of the Board of Education of Miamisburg Public Schools for twentytwo years, and during this time President of the Board. Besides serving in different treasurerships for years, he has been the efficient Stated Clerk of the General Synod since its organization in 1863, and of the Ohio Synod since 1870. He is well fitted for the work in hand, as he possesses an analytical mind and positive elements of character, together with a spirit of industry and patient research, and is exact and thorough in the execution of his work. He is the best posted minister in historical matters relating to our western church, and may be properly regarded as "the historian of the Reformed Church in the West." He is extensively known, sustains the character of a man of integrity, and has the general confidence of the church.

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The Bible is a rich and an inexhaustible mine of everlasting truth, which grows richer and grander the deeper you go. Hence the importance of studying it carefully, prayerfully, thoroughly and continuously.

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Moon's Phases.

First Quart. 4th at 7 49 morn; warm. Full Moon, 10th at 9 41 eve: warm. Last Quart. 18th at 5 13 morn; fair. New Moon 26th at 8 22 morn; sultry.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1sth showers; 2nd, 3rd, 4th. 5th warm; 6th, 7th 1ain, stormy; 3th clear; 9th variable; 10th, 11th, 12th warm; 13th, 14th thunder showers; 15th, 16th variable; 17th, 18th fair; 19th cloudy; 20th clear; 21st, 22nd fair; 23rd, 24th warm; 25th, 26th, 27th variable; 28th, 29th rain; 30th cloudy; 31st fair.

Invited guests need not bring provision with them. Yet something we must have before we come, to make us acceptable; that, be it what it will, is only had from Christ; nor can we have it from him unless we come without it. True beggars only bring wants and prayers.



Rev. John I. Swander, D. D.

PEV. JOHN I. SWANDER, D. D., was born in Warren County, N. J., on the 3d of May, 1833. His father was of Swiss, and his mother of Scotch-Irish ancestry. At the time of his birth his parents were Presbyterians. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. I. N. Candee, D. D. When John was eight weeks old he had already completed a journey of 600 miles. This trip was made; partially through the woods, from New Jersey to the vicinity of Tiffin, Ohio, where his father, Thomas Swander, settled on a farm. He was confirmed as a member of the First Reformed Church, Tiffin, on the 13th day of February, 1847, by Rev. Hiram Shaull. After taking an Eclectic Course in Heidelberg College, he graduated from the Heidelberg Theological Seminary in 1859. During the same year, in May, he was examined and licensed by the Ohio Synod convened in Fairfield, Greene Co., and in the following June was ordained to the gospel ministry by the Miami Classis convened in the city of Dayton. After spending the first year of his ministry assisting

Rev. G. W. Williard, D. D., in his work as pastor of the First Church in Dayton and editor of the Western Missionary, he accepted a call to his first regular charge at Kinnickinnick, Ross Co., O. He is now serving his fifth charge at Fremont, Ohio, where he has just entered upon the eighth year of his pastorate in the Reformed Church of that city. During his ministry of twenty-nine years he has been abundantly blessed in his labors. He has preached 4,800 sermons, and reports baptisms, 810; confirmations, 585; funerals, 781; marriages, 435. Besides his regular ministerial work he has found time to write for the Reformed Quarterly, The Microcosm and the Scientific Arena, and other magazines that take high rank in the sphere of American journalism. Two years ago he wrote his Substantial Philosophy, which by some means found its way to London and elected him as a Fellow of the Society of Arts, Science and Literature, in that city. The

degree of A. M. was conferred upon him by the trustees of Franklin and Marshall College in 1868, and that of D. D. by the Board of Regents of Florida State University in 1885. In the last few years Dr. Swander and his estimable wife have also remembered the Girls' School at Sendai, Japan, very liberally. He also was appointed to teach Dogmatic and Practical Theology during the latter part of the seminary year, 1887, at Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O.

You will find that the mere resolve not to be useless, and the honest desire to help other people, will, in the quickest and most delicate ways, improve yourself.

It is no great matter to live lovingly with good-natured, humble, and meek persons; but he who can do so with the forward, willful, ignorant, peevish, and perverse, hath true charity.

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7 Sat. 250 Regina 10 38 2 58 \$\psi\$ \$\psi\$ stationary 2 \ 5 \) 40 \ 6 \) 20			
36] 12th Sunday after Trinity. Mark. 7. Day's length 12h. 40m.			
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First Quart. 2d at 7 56 eve; variable.
Full Moon 9th at 8 14 morn; sultry.
Last Quart. 16th at 11 11 eve: variable
New Moon 24th at 9 4 eve; windy.

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Here is an absolute and eternal truth, from the pen of John Mason: "There is no sin a man can be tempted to, but he will find greater comfort in resisting than in indulging it." Do not let Satan ever persuade you to doubt this truth for a moment. There are no exceptions to it; there can be none. For as Seneca said, "the first and chiefest punishment of the wicked is to have sinned."



Joseph Henry Dubbs, D. D.

PEV. JOSEPH HENRY DUBBS, D. D., was born at North White Hall, Pa., October 5, 1838. Entered college September, 1853; was graduated 1856. Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., 1859. He became pastor of Zion Church, Allentown, Pa., 1859; Trinity Church, Pottstown, Pa., 1863; Christ Church, Philadelphia, 1871. In 1875 he was elected Audenried Professor of History and Archæology in Franklin and Marshall College, which position he still occupies. Editorial correspondent of the Messenger, 1873-1875. Received the degree of A. M. in course, and that of Doctor of Divinity from Ursinus College in 1878. In 1879 he was elected a corresponding member of the Ethnographic Society of France, and in 1885 a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society of Great Britain. He was editor of the Guardian from 1882 to 1886; and is the author of "Historic Manual of the Reformed Church," 1885, and of several minor publications. Residence, Lancaster, Pa.

Study Doctrine.

Suffer us to urge upon all Christians the importance of the systematic study of the great truths of the Christian rev-

elation. They should be able to give an answer to every one that asketh a reason of the hope that is in them. Amid the engrossing pursuits of business, the excitements of political strife, and the duties and attractions of the social circle, some moments should be devoted to the study of that system of truth to which they profess to hold. We would also plead for a more faithful training of our children in these truths. For we are confident that our whole duty to God, to our country, and our age, cannot be met by a piety which is not based on settled, consistent knowledge of God's The truths of that Word, the science of Christianity, underlie every interest of society; and there are disorganizing elements at work, industriously and vigorously, both in Church and State, which cannot be checked and defeated but by those who not only are firm believers in Divine truth, but are "able to give an answer to every man who asketh a reason for the hope that is in them, with meekness and fear."

The Christian on Duty.

Christian! you, being consecrated to God and his service, have placed yourself on duty under the leadership of the great Captain of salvation, the Lord Jesus Christ. As such, you hold a vital relation to him, have an important mission to fulfill, and a responsible work to do. The field in its objects includes the heart, the family, the Sunday-school, the church and the world. As you are confronted by foes within and without, be ever on the alert and ready for duty. "Be steadfast, immovable, and always abounding in the work of the Lord." Be faithful unto death.

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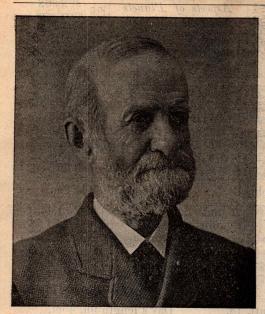
Moon's Phases.
First Quart. 1st at 7 54 eve; clear.
Full Moon 8th at 7 47 eve; cloudy.
Last Quart. 16th at 6 59 eve; pleasant.
New Moon 24th at 8 48 morn; dismal.
First Quart. 31st at 2 52 morn; rain.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st clear; 2nd cloudy, 3rd rain; 4th, 5th, 6th fair; 7th, 8th cloudy; 9th, 10th variable; 11th 12th clear, frosty; 13th variable; 14th windy; 15th 16th fair; 17th rain; 18th 19th variable; 20th, 21tst clear, frosty; 22nd cloudy; 23rd 24th, rainy; 25th, blustery; 26th, 27th variable; 28th blustery; 29th cold; 30th, 31st rainy.

The Holy Ghost, in this work of getting men to truth, relies largely on getting men to be witnesses for Christ—the testifiers to a fact. Orthodoxy has always been safe where witnessing for Christ was the passion of the church.

The man who says "Enough," that man's soul is lost.



Elder Henry Leonard.

The following biography of Elder Henry Leonard, who is better known as "The Fisherman," is from his own pen as it appears in the *Fisherman's Allegories*, a book which he published for the benefit of Heidelberg College:

I was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, February 14, A. D. 1812. My father, Sebastian Leonard, was a native of Switzerland, from the Canton of Basel. My mother was from the same Canton. Her maiden name was Barbara Goss. She was a sister to John Goss, the father of Dr. John Goss, of Lancaster, Ohio, and brother of Rev. Sebastian C. Goss, of Wadsworth, Ohio. I had two brothers, John and Sebastian Leonard, and one sister, Barbara Musser, a widow for more than thirty years. My brother Sebastian died sixteen years ago. My father died forty-three years ago, and my mother thirty-one years ago. My father was a mason by trade. He helped to build the first brick house in Lancaster. He also did considerable stone work, building cellar walls in the same town. In the year 1828, when I was sixteen years old, I began keeping store in the

"Original Log Cabin," built by old Father Jacob Goss, in the year 1809, and after keeping store twenty-eight and one-half years, in the town of Basil, I received and accepted a call from the Board of Trustees of Heidelberg College, as the financial and traveling agent of said institution. I have held that office for thirty years, and am now in my seventy-sixth year, since the 14th of February, 1887.

The Best Book.

QUESTION.

What book ought I to love the best And on its truths securely rest?
What warns me to abstain from sin, And tends to make me pure within?
What tells me of a Savior's love,
And points me to my home above?

ANSWER.

God's blessed book, the Bible.

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Thus we find that in Europe and other countries there are about eight millions of Reformed people living in eleven countries. The Reformed doctrines are preached in the French, Dutch, German, Italian, Spanish, Bohemian, Hungarian, Polish, Russian and many other languages. This is no mean family, showing no small territory. It is broad and deep, grand and glorious. Let our church take new courage and put forth her best endeavors in extending her borders.

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Moon's Phases.

Full Moon 7th at 10 27 morn; rain. Last Quart. 15th at 258 eve; windy. New Moon 22d at 85 eve: snow.

First Quart. 29th at 12 1 morn; cloudy

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st rain; 2nd. 3rd variable; 4th, 5th clear, frosty; 6th variable; 7th, 8th rain or snow; 9th clear; 10th, 11th. 12th cloudy; 13th cold; 14th. 15th variable: 16th. 17th cold; 18th. 19th cloudy; 20th, 21st cold; 22nd cloudy snow; 23rd, 24th variable; 25th snow; 26th, 27th. 28th clear, frosty; 29th cloudy; 30th windy, cold.

It was aptly said by Dr. Donne: "Mercy is God's right hand, and with that he gives all; faith is man's right hand, and with that man takes all."

We do not receive because we ask not; we do not ask because we do not feel; we do not feel because we do not believe.



St. Paul's Orphan Home.

The St. Paul's Orphan Home is located at Butler, Pa., and is in a very flourishing condition. Since its existence it has nurtured many homeless children. The Home is under the efficient management of Rev. P. C. Prugh, D. D., as superintendent, and his estimable wife as matron. The moral and religious training at this Home is exceptionally good. It is liberally remembered from time to time by the benevolence of Sunday-schools and churches, and is worthy any aid that may be extended. The Reformed church has every reason to be congratulated over the success of all its orphan homes, and all indeed share the liberality of the church, which they so liberally deserve.

Precept and Example.

To give children good instruction and a bad example, is but beckoning to them with one hand to *show* them the way to heaven, while we take them by the other hand and *lead* them to hell.

Rules for Home Education.

The following are worthy of being printed in letters of gold, and placed in a conspicuous position in every household:

- 1. From your children's earliest infancy, inculcate the necessity of instant obedience.
- 2. Unite firmness with gentleness. Let your children always understand that you mean exactly what you say.
- 3. Never promise them anything unless you are sure you can give them what you promise.
- 4. If you tell a child to do anything show him how to do it, and see that it is done.
- 5. Always punish your children for willfully disobeying you, but never punish in anger.
- 6. Never let them see that they can vex you, or make you lose your self-command.
- 7. If they give way to petulance and temper wait till they are calm, and then gently reason with them on the impropriety of their conduct.
- 8. Remember that a little present punishment, when the occasion arises, is much more effectual than the threatening of a greater punishment should the fault be renewed.
- 9. Never give your children anything because they cry for it.
- 10. On no account allow them to do at one time what you have forbidden, under the same circumstances, at another.

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48] 1st Sunday in Advent. Matt. 21. Day's length 9h. 24m.
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49] 2d Sunday in Advent. Luke 21. Day's length 9h. 16m.
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11 Wed, 345 Barsabas 2 48 8 48
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14 Sat. 348 Nicasius 5 7 11 20 Spica rises 2:26 5 7 24 4 36
50] 3d Sunday in Advent. Matt. 11. Day's length 9h. 12m.
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19 Thurs. 353 Abraham 8 58 3 51 Arietis south 8:8 2 7 25 4 35
20 Friday 354 Ammon 9 53 4 57 Prices 8:40 2 7 25 4 35
51] 4th Sunday in Advent. John 1. Day's length 9h. 8m.
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28 Sat. 362 Innocents 4 56 11 1 28 4 35 28. Vega sets 8:46 2 7 25 4 35
52] Sunday after Christmas. Rev. 21. Day's length 9h. 10m.
29 Sunday 363 Noah 5 43 morn Sirius rises 8:8 2 7 24 4 36
30 Mond'y 364 David 6 50 12 2 7* south 8:50 3 7 24 4 36
31 Tues, 365 Sylvester 7 58 12 55 15 south 3:45 3 7 24 4 36
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clear; 29th, 30th variable; 31st fair.

The years of God are full and satisfying. Each soul shall have its turn; it is his good pleasure to give us the kingdom. There is so much room; there are such thronging possibilities; there is such endless hope!

Let your prayers be as frequent as your wants, and your thanksgivings as your blessings.

- 11. Teach them that the only sure and easy way to appear good is to be good.
- 12. Accustom them to make their little recitals the perfect truth.
 - 13. Never allow tale-bearing.
- 14. Teach them that self-denial, not self-indulgence, is the appointed and sure method of obtaining happiness.

Systematic Benevolence.

The Apostle Paul gives us good directions in I. Cor. 16: 2: "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." From this we see:

- 1. That giving is a religious act, an act of worship. It belongs to the work of the Lord's day—"Upon the first day of the week."
- 2. It is a *universal duty*, incumbent upon all, old and young, male and female—"Let every one of you lay by him in store."
- 3. He gives us a good measure, according to which we should regulate our giving—"As God hath prospered him."
- 4. Giving should be voluntary, free, and as far as possible independent of all appeals or agencies—"That there be no gatherings when I come."

Now let each one of us lay this to heart, and see how we can carry it out. We can adopt one of three systems:

- 1. The Box System. Have a suitable box kept in each family, for each member, into which gifts for the Lord and his cause are placed every Sunday, to be opened at stated times, and the contents given to the proper societies.
 - 2. The Envelope System. Let every

one, on Sunday, place his contribution in an envelope, stating for what cause it is contributed, and take it along to the church, to be deposited in the contribution-box.

3. The Committee System. Let every board of deacons get up a subscription list every New Year among all the members of the church, and gather these sums every month or quarter for the proper societies.

If this were done by all, there would be a constant stream of benevolence flowing into the treasury of the Lord.

First Reformed Preacher in America.

From what history has recorded, Rev. George Michael Weiss was the first minister of the Reformed Church whose feet touched American soil. He was a native of the Palatinate, that rich home of Reformed people. He came to America in company with about 400 emigrants, "Natives and late inhabitants of the Palatinate, upon the Rhine, and places adjacent, into this province of Pennsylvania, in hopes and expectation of finding a retreat and peaceable settlement therein." From what can be gathered he arrived in America in the year 1727-28. molimumo

No wise young woman will marry a man who treats his mother or sisters with disrespect or neglect. Not one man in a hundred of that class will make even a decent husband. Poverty is not a bar to marriage, but meanness or drunkenness or laziness or the lack of the virtues first mentioned, is, which neither good looks, money, nor family connection should be allowed to influence.

Whose I Am.

Jesus, Master, whose I am,
Purchased Thine alone to be,
By Thy blood, O spotless Lamb!
Shed so willingly for me:
Let my heart be all Thine own,
Let me live to Thee alone.

Other lords have long held sway;
Now, Thy name alone to bear,
Thy dear voice alone obey,
Is my daily, hourly prayer.
Whom have I in heaven but Thee?
Nothing else my joy can be.

Jesus, Master, I am Thine!

Keep me faithful, keep me near,

Let Thy presence in me shine,

All my homeward way to cheer.

Jesus! at Thy feet I fall:

Oh! be Thou my all-in-all.

Historical Items.

- 1. In 1730 the number of the Reformed in America was about 15,000.
- 2. A log church was built at Skippach, Pa., in 1726. This was the first Reformed Church built in this country.
- 3. When Schlatter arrived, in 1746, he found forty-six Reformed congregations under organization more or less perfect, and some of them numbering a large membership. The number of Germans of all denominations was at that time about 30,000.
- 4. The Reformed ministers who were in this country before Schlatter, and the organization of the synod in 1747, with the term of their labors, are as follows:

Rev. George Michael Weiss. from 1726 to 1762

"John Philip Boehm....." 1726 "1749

- " John Henry Goetschey. " 1730 " 1739" John Barthol. Reiger... " 1731 " 1769
- " John Peter Miller.....
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 " John Bechtel......
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- " Jacob Lischy...... " 1743 " 1760
- " John Conrad Wirtz.... " 1746 " 1763

How Schlatter Found Philadelphia in 1746.

He arrived in Philadelphia on the 6th day of September, 1746. The history says: Mr. Schlatter found Philadelphia the next town in size to Boston. It lay snugly fastened with one side to the Delaware, and contained something over 10,000 inhabitants. It was little more than a mile long up and down the river, and one-half a mile wide. It contained seven streets lengthwise north and south, in which a small one, named Water Street, is not recorded. It had also seven streets running east and west. The churches were: 1, The English Church; 2, The Swedish Church; 3, The German Evangelical Lutheran Church; 4, The Old Presbyterian Church; 5, The German Reformed Church. Besides two Quaker meeting houses, one Anabaptist, one Roman Catholic, and one Moravian Church.

Inclosed please find stamp, for which send through the columns of *The Union* the remainder of the "Child's Morning Prayer," commencing "Now I wake to see the light," and oblige

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Now I awake and see the light.

'Tis God has kept me through the night;
To him I lift my hands and pray
That he would keep me through the day;
And if I die before 'tis done,
Great God, accept me through thy Son.

The Aim of Life.

The great aim of life. What should it be? To think the right, speak the true, love the pure and do the good. Such a course will develop character, promote usefulness, glorify God and bless mankind.



Orphan Home, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

We present our readers with an excellent picture of the Orphan Home near Ft. Wayne, Ind. This home was established but a few years since by the German synods of our church, and it has grown to an encouraging extent both in the effections of our English as well as German churches. To this home many orphan children have been taken, and the family is now constituted of about forty in number.

The building is both roomy and beautiful, and what is more encouraging still, the debt is small and is being rapidly paid. Rev. J. Rettig is the superintendent and Rev. C. F. Kriete, of Ft. Wayne, Ind., is the treasurer. This Home is doing a grand work for our church, and we are assured that its management is all that any Home could hope for. The superintendent is admirably adapted for his position, and the children scarcely enter the Home until they speak of him as father. The management is that of a Christian family, and children who are placed there could

fall into no better society, and could not receive better care in their own home. This institution is worthy the support of the church, as are all the other Homes under the management of the church.

As the tree is fertilized by its own broken branches and fallen leaves, and grows out of its own decay, so men and nations are bettered and improved by trial and refined out of broken hopes and blighted expectations.—F. W. Robertson.

How speaks the Present Hour?

Walk upward glancing,
So shall thy footsteps in glory be tracked,

Slow, but advancing.
Scorn not the smallest of daily endeavor,
Let the great meaning ennoble it ever,
Droop not o'er the efforts expended in vain—
Work as believing that labor is gain.

What doth the Future say?

Hope!

Turn thy face sunward,

Look where light fringes the far-rising slope,
Day cometh onward.

Watch! tho' so long be the twilight delaying, Let the first sunbeam arise on thee praying; Fear not! for greater is God by thy side Than the armies of Satan against the allied.

Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa.

We had expected also to present a cut of the Bethany Orphans' Home whose twenty-fifth anniversary was celebrated this fall, but were disappointed.

The home was started in 1863 by Rev. Emanuel Boehringer, who took a little orphan girl into his own home at 702 Morris Street, Philadelphia. He was assisted by a number of ministers and laymen of the Reformed Church. The first contribution for the support of the orphans was made by a boy named Jacob Plantz, of Buffalo, N. Y., who was himself an orphan.

On July 13, 1864, the orphan family was removed to Bridesburg, Philadelphia, where a larger building had been purchased. The family now numbered thirty-six children. On September 21, Mrs. Boehringer died, in her 33rd year. The Home was dedicated October 13. Rev. Boehringer was now taken sick himself, retired during the exercises, went to bed and died twelve days after. The orphan family was thus severely afflicted.

Soon thereafter Rev. John Gantenbein was elected superintendent of the Home. He continued in this office until August 30, 1866, when he was succeeded by Rev. D. Y. Heisler.

It was found that the house at Bridesburg was poorly adapted for the purpose, and therefore a new location was sought, and in 1867, the present property near Womelsdorf, Pa., was purchased for \$33,000. The property consisted of twenty-six acres of land, with a large brick building 120 feet long. To this new home the orphan family, then numbering in all 110 persons, was removed

October 1, 1867. The new home was dedicated October 29, 1867.

In October, 1868, Rev. Heisler resigned as superintendent and Rev. D. B. Albright was elected to fill the position. In 1873 the Manderbach farm containing sixty acres and adjoining the Home, was purchased for \$10,600.

On the night of November 11, 1881, the Home was destroyed by fire. Arrangements for rebuilding were at once made, and the present beautiful, well adapted building was erected during 1882. It was dedicated December 14, 1882. The total cost of the building was about \$26,000.

On January 14, 1886, Rev. D. B. Albright resigned as superintendent. Rev. T. M. Yundt was elected as his successor, and now holds this position.

There are now seventy-six orphans in the Home. Since its establishment, 417 orphan children have found a home in this institution.

Rev. T. M. Yundt recenty published a full and very interesting history of Bethany Orphans' Home.

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Main Events in Church and State.

From September 1st, 1887 to August 31st, 1888.

1887.

September 4. Dedication of Zion's Reformed Church, Greenville, Mercer County, Pa. Cost \$16,000, or, including ground, \$19,000. Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, pastor.

September 4. Dedication of Beulah Reformed Church, Ligonier Valley, Westmoreland County, Pa. Cost of church and furnishing, \$12,000. Rev. C. M. Hartzell, pastor.

September 4. Laying of corner-stone of St. John's Reformed Church at Wapwallopen, Luzerne County, Pa. Rev. S. S. Kohler, pastor.

September 4. Laying of corner-stone of St. John's Reformed Church, Milton, Pa. Rev. F. C. Yost, pastor.

September 7. Laying of corner-stone of new Reformed Church at Hickory, N. C. Rev. Lewis Reiter, pastor.

September 8. Laying of corner-stone of new Reformed Church at Newton, N. C. Rev. J. C. Clapp, D. D., pastor.

September 10. Laying of corner-stone of Reformed Church, Glencoe, Pa. Rev. C. H. Reiter, pastor.

September 11. Laying of corner-stone of Salem Church, Waynesboro charge, Franklin County, Pa. Rev. F. F. Bahner, pastor.

September 17. Laying of corner-stone of Reformed Church at Bethany Station, Westmorelland County, Pa.

September 18. Re-opening of Christ Reformed Church, Alexandria, Pa. Rev. C. U. Heilman, pastor.

September 18. Death of Rev. Geo. H. Martin, D. D., at Timberville, Va., aged 70 years, 10 months and 27 days. Buried at Woodstock, Va.

September 18. Laying of corner-stone of Zwingli Reformed Church, Souderton, Montgomery County, Pa. Rev. J. G. Dengler, pastor.

September 24. Celebration of 143d anniversary of Reformed Church at Brickerville, Lancaster County, Pa. Rev. D. C. Tobias, pastor.

September 25. Celebration of the 160th anniversary of the First Reformed Church of Philadelphia, Pa., organized in 1727. Rev. D. Van Horne, D. D., pastor.

September 29. Organization of the Synod of

the Interior at Kansas City, Missouri. Rev. D. S. Fouse, president; Rev. T. F. Stauffer, stated clerk.

October 16. Death of Rev. Albert G. Dole, being born September 22, 1815, and died at Huntingdon, Pa., aged 72 years and 23 days.

October 18. Laying of corner-stone of new Reformed Church at Mann's Choice, Bedford County, Pa.

October 23. Dedication of the new Reformed Church in Somerset County, Pa. Cost \$6,500. Rev. H. King, pastor.

October 25. Annual meeting of the Ohio Synod at Lancaster, O. Rev. J. I. Swander, D. D., president, and Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D., stated clerk.

October 30. Dedication of Nevin Memorial Church, Redbank, Clarion County, Pa. Rev. R. F. Gass, pastor.

November 6. Re-dedication of the Watson Run Reformed Church, Sægerstown charge, Crawford County, Pa. Rev. A. A. Black, pastor.

. November 6. Laying of the corner-stone of the new Reformed Church at Lewiston, Ill. Rev. G. E. Metger, pastor.

November 6. Dedication of new Reformed Church in Green Valley, Schawana County, Wis. Rev. A. M. Horwitz, pastor.

November 13. Dedication of "Grace Trinity Reformed Church," four miles east of Frederick, Md., connected with Mt. Pleasant charge. Rev. A. Shulenberger, pastor.

November 13. Re-opening of the Kimmerling Reformed Church in Lebanon County, Pa. Rev. H. J. Welker, pastor.

November 14. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Juneau, Wis. Cost \$1,500. Rev. Wm. G. Kuentzel, pastor.

November 20. Re-dedication of Mt. Bethel Church in Chester County, Pa. Cost of repairs, \$2,100.

November 27. Re-opening of English Reformed Church in Washington, D. C. Rev. C. F. Sontag, pastor.

November 27. Organization of a new Reformed congregation at Saxton, Bedford County, Pa., with forty-five members.

November 29. First meeting of the Board of Sunday-schools of the General Synod at Altoona, Pa., for organization and preliminary work.

December 11. Reopening of the Jerusalem Reformed Church at Canton, O. Rev. J. B. Rust, pastor.

December 11. Dedication of Winegardner Chapel at Rushville, Fairfield County, O. Cost \$5,000. Rev. S. W. Seeman, pastor.

December 19. Death of Rev. Jonas Michael at Winamac, Ind., being born May 24th, 1819, aged 68 years, 6 months and 25 days.

December 25. Rev. David B. Schneder and wife, missionaries to Japan, arrived in their journey thither at Yokahama, and at Sendai, their field of Labor, January 1, 1888.

December 26. Organization of a new Reformed congregation with eight families in northern Nebraska, by Rev. Otto Kuhn, worshiping at private houses.

December 27. Marriage of Rev. Wm. E. Hoy and Miss Mary B. Ault, at Yokohama, Japan, by Rev. Jairus P. Moore, assisted by Rev. D. B. Schneder.

December 29. Dedication of the new organ of the Evangelical Reformed Church, New York City, Rev. J. F. Busche, D. D.

December 31. Celebration of the eightieth birthday anniversary of Rev. Rudolph Duenger at Ashland, Schuylkill Co., Pa.

1888.

January 8. Dedication of the new Reformed (German) Church at Lima, Ohio, Rev. J. H. Stepler, pastor.

January 15. Reopening and rededication of

St. Luke's Reformed Church at Trappe, Pa., Rev. J. B. Shumaker, D. D.

January 15. Dedication of the Reformed Church at Lawrenceville, Clarke Co., O. Cost, \$1,000. Rev. D. R. Taylor, pastor.

January 21. Extremely cold weather in the Northwest, especially in Dakota, Montana and Minnasota, with deep snow, continuing from the 12th to the 21st, thermometer from ten to sixty degrees below zero, and many persons and cattle frozen to death.

January 21. Death of Mrs. Eliza B. Garfield, mother of Ex-President James A. Garfield, at Mentor, Ohio, aged 86 years. Buried in Lake View Cemetery, Cleveland, O.

January 25. Death of Rev. Jeremiah H. Good, D. D., at his home in Tiffin, O., being born November 22, 1822, aged 65 years, 2 months and 3 days.

February 3. Death of Rev. Moses Kieffer, D. D., at Sandusky, O., and buried in cemetery at Tiffin, O., being born May 5, 1814, aged 73 years, 8 months and 28 days.

February 5. Death of Rev. Daniel Y. Heisler, D. D., at Easton, Pa., and buried at Lewisburg, Pa., being born June 1, 1820, aged 67. years, 8 months and 4 days.

February 15. Death of Rev. Fred. W. Dechant at Reading, Pa., being born December 25, 1814, aged 73 years, 1 month and 23 days.

February 18. Death of Rev. Henry I. Comfort at Burkittsville, Md., being born August 19, 1830, aged 57 years and 6 months.

March 9. Death of Emperor William (Frederick William Louis Hohenzollern) of Germany, at Berlin, being from 1860 King of Prussia, and from 1871 Emperor of Germany—soldier, statesman and Christian—born March 22, 1797, and aged 90 years, 11 months and 18 days.

March 11. Dedication of the new Reformed Church at Reedsburg, O., Rev. R. F. Shultz.

March 18. Dedication of the monument erected to the memory of Casper Olevianus at Herborn, Germany, by the Reformed Church in the United States of America, with appropriate religious services.

March 23. Death of Morrison R. Waite, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, born November 29, 1816, aged 71 years, 3 months and 3 days.

April 8. Dedications of Zion's Reformed Church, Allentown, Pa., the congregation dating from 1762, Rev. E. A. Gernant, pastor.

April 15. Dedication of Grace Memorial Reformed Church, York, Pa.

April 19. Meeting of Miyagi, or Sendai Classis, at Sendai, Japan.

April 22. Dedication of the new church of the Little Bethel congregation, in Westmoreland Co., Pa.

May 6. Third Reformed congregation of Cleveland, O., celebrated its twentieth anniversary with appropriate religious services, having increased from 10 to 200 families.

May 11. Dedication of the new Reformed Church at Seattle, W. T. Cost, \$2,500. Rev. G. Grædel, pastor.

May 13. Dedication of a new organ in the Reformed Church at Shenandoah, Pa. Rev. W. D. Donat, pastor. May 13. Organization of the Templeman Reformed congregation in Lebanon Co., Pa., by Rev. F. W. Kremer, D. D. Named *Templeman* in honor of Rev. Conrad Templeman, who was ordained in 1746 by Rev. Michael Schlatter, and the first Reformed minister in Lebanon County.

May 17. Dedication of Reformed Church at Overton, Pa.

May 18. Celebration of the "golden wedding" of Rev. Benj. Knepper and wife, at Wellersburg, Somerset Co., Pa.

May 19. Laying of corner-stone of the new Reformed Church at Mt. Pleasant, Pa. To cost \$18.000. Rev. C. R. Ferner, pastor.

May 20. Dedication of the new St. John's Church in Milton, Pa. Rev. F. C. Yost, pastor.

May 20. Dedication of the new Spies Church in Berks Co., Pa., Rev. A. S. Leinbach, D. D., pastor.

May 20. Rededication of the DeLong's Church in Berks Co., Pa., Rev. A. J. Herman, pastor.

May 20. Rededication of the Reformed Church at Weatherly, Pa., Rev. A. M. Masenheimer, pastor.

May 23. Farewell service in Grace Reformed Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., for Miss Emma F. Poorbaugh, appointed as assistant missionary to Japan.

May 27. Dedication of the new Reformed Church at Mann's Choice, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. S. C. Long, pastor.

June 5. Laying of corner-stone of the new building of the Mission House, at Franklin, Wis., with appropriate religious services.

June 10. Dedication of the new Emanuel's Church near Mainville, Columbia Co., Pa., Rev. G. B. Dechant, pastor.

June 10. Farewell service in Trinity Refermed Church at Berlin, Pa., on the eve of the departure of Miss Emma F. Poorbaugh as missionary to Japan.

June 10. Dedication of the new Reformed Church at Glencoe, Pa., a frame building thirty-two by fifty feet, and cost \$2,200. Rev. C. H. Reiter, pastor.

June 14. Commencement exercises of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., twenty-five graduates, Rev. Geo. W. Williard, D. D., President.

June 15. Death of Frederick III., Emperor

of Germany, at Pottsdam, of cancer, after a long siege of suffering and a reign of 98 days, aged 56 years, 7 months and 27 days. His son, aged 29 years, succeeded him under the title of William II.

June 16. Laying of corner-stone of the St. Jacob's (Union) Church at Cairo, Stark Co., O., Rev. J. A. Keller, pastor.

June 16. Laying of corner-stone of new Reformed Church at Mt. Eaton, Wayne Co., O., Rev. J. H. Beck, pastor.

June 17. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Souderton, Pa., Rev. J. G. Dengler, pastor.

June 17. Dedication of the new Berg (Union) Church in Pike Township, Berks Co., Pa., Rev. P. P. A. Hoffman, pastor.

June 21. Laying of corner-stone of the new Glade Church, Somerset Co., Pa., Rev. H. King, pastor.

June 24. Laying of corner-stone of the new Reformed (German) Church in Dayton, O., Rev. H. A. Meier, pastor.

June 17. Death of Rev. N. S. Strassburger, D. D., at Allentown, Pa., being born August 17, 1819, aged 68 years, 10 months and 20 days.

July 1. Dedication of new Reformed Churcle at Ludlow Grove, Ohio, with steeple, bell and stained window glass, and total cost \$4,000. Rev. A. Seyring, pastor.

July 4. Death of Rev. Daniel Riegel at Dillsburg, York Co., Pa., being born August 2, 1808, and aged 79 years, 11 months and 2 days.

July 8. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Wausau, Wis., Rev. Otto Muehlmeier, pastor.

July 9. Miss Emma F. Poorbaugh, as missionary to Japan, landed safely at Yokohama.

July 9. Death of Rev. Adolph J. Meyer at. North Lima, O., where he served as pastor since May 1, 1887. Born February 14, 1861, aged 27 years, 4 months and 25 days.

July 14. Parsonage of Christ Reformed Church at Alliance, O., completed and occupied, Rev. H. Holliger, pastor.

July 15. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Berlin, Pa., Rev. A. R. Kremer.

July 15. Laying of corner-stone of the St. John's Reformed Church, Flat Rock, Ohio.

July 17. Death of Rev. John G. Wiehle, D. D., at his home in Philadelphia, Pa., aged 71 years, 5 months and 18 days.

July 17. Laying of corner-stone of the St. Peter's (Union) Church, connected with the Good Hope Charge in Tuscarawas Co., O., Rev. Gustavus Dolch, pastor.

Dedication of a new Reformed July 19. Church in Clintonville, Wis., Rev. A. Horwitz,

pastor.

July 21. Celebration of the fifty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the First Reformed Church, Tiffin, O., and of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Dr. L. H. Kefauver.

July 23. Death of Rev. John Henry Augustus Ebrard, Ph.D., D. D., at Erlangen, Germany, aged 70 years, 6 months and 5 days, having been born January 1, 1818. He was distinguished as a scholar, theologian, professor, author and pastor.

July 31. Organization of Grace Reformed Church in York, Pa., with thirty members.

August 5. Death of Rev. Herman Kortheuer, D. D., at Bucyrus, Ohio, aged 69 years, 8 months and 22 days, having been born at Coblentz, Prussia, November 13, 1818.

August 5. Death of General Philip H. Sheridan, at Nonquitt, Mass., aged 57 years, 4 months and 29 days, having been born at Somerset, Perry Co., Ohio, March 6, 1831.

August 5. Laying of corner-stone of the new Reformed Church at Hobbie, Luzerne Co., Pa.,

Rev. S. S. Kohler, pastor.

August 11. Laying of corner-stone of the new Reformed Church at Denmark Manor, Westmoreland Co., Pa., Rev. A. E. Truxall,

August 12. Laying of corner-stone of the Second Reformed Church, (German) in Tiffin,

Ohio, Rev. H. Rust, D. D., pastor.

August 12. Dedication of the new Union Chuch at Lewistown, Schuylkill Co., Pa. Frame building; cost, \$4,000. Rev. M. H. Mishler, pastor.

August 12. Dedication of the Union (Reformed and Lutheran) Church, Herndon, Northumberland County, Pa., Rev. A. R. Hottenstein, pastor.

August 12. Laying of corner-stone of the Calvary Reformed Church in Reading, Pa,, under the general supervision of Rev. B. Bausman, D. D.

August 14. Wreck of the Geiser, which was

sunk with 117 of her passengers and crew, by being "run into" by the Thingvalla of the same line, off Sable Island, Nova Scotia.

August 19. Dedication of the organ and bell of the new (Union) Spies Church in Berks Co., Pa., Rev. A. S. Leinbach, D. D., pastor.

August 19. Laying of corner-stone of Faith Reformed Church in East Baltimore, Md.

August 19. Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church, Ligonier Valley, Westmoreland Co., Pa., Rev. C. M. Hartzell, pastor.

Annual Meetings of Classes,

Connected with the Several District Synods of the Reformed Church in the United States, together with the Names of their Respective Officers.

SYNOD IN THE UNITED STATES.

East Pennsylvania.—Grace Church, College Hill, Easton, Pa., on Tuesday, May 28, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. W. Maybry, president; Rev. T. O. Stem, stated clerk and treasurer.

Lebanon.-St. Paul's Church, Birdsboro, Pa., on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. G. B. Resser, president; Rev. Dr. J. E. Hiester, stated clerk; Rev. T. Kessler, treasurer.

Philadelphia.—St. Matthew's Church, Chester Co., Pa., on Thursday, May 30, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. Dr. J. B. Shumaker, president; Rev. J. H. Sechler, stated clerk; Hon. H. C. Hoover, treasurer.

Lancaster.-Manheim, Pa., on Monday evening, May 20, 1889. Rev. Dr. J. M. Titzel, president; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, stated clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, treasurer.

East Susquehanna.—Catawissa, Pa., on Thursday, June 13, 1869, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. H. Derr, president; Rev. J. C. Leinbach, stated clerk; Geo. Hill, Esq., treasurer.

West Susquehanna.—New Berlin, Union Co., Pa., on Wednesday, May 15, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. T. R. Dietz, president; Rev. W. A. Haas,

stated clerk and treasurer.

Goshenhoppen. - Zion's Church, Pottstown, Pa., on Friday, May 3, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. I. S. Stahr, president; Rev. C. S. Wieand. stated clerk; D. B. Mauger, Esq., treasurer.

Tohickon.-Doylestown, Pa., on Friday, May 31, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. B. B. Ferer, president; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, stated clerk; Mr. I. G. Gerhart, treasurer.

Lehigh.—Trexlertown, Pa., on Tuesday, May 21, 1889, at 10 A. M. Rev. W. M. Reily, president; Rev. E. A. Gernant, stated clerk; Rev. M. H. Diefenderfer, treasurer.

Schuylkill.—Tamaqua, Pa., on Monday, June 17, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. J. J. Fisher, president; Rev. J. A. Reber, stated clerk; Rev. J. W. Steinmetz, treasurer.

Wyoming.—Watsontown, Pa., on Wednesday, June 12, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. Dr. J. A. Peters, president; Rev. S. S. Kohler, stated clerk; Rev. A. Houtz, treasurer.

SYNOD OF OHIO.

Miami.—Lewisburg, Ohio, on Tuesday preceding the last full moon in May, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. A. E. Baichly, president; Rev. Dr. H. M. Herman, stated clerk; Rev. Dr. I. H. Reiter, treasurer.

Lancaster.—Rushville, O., first Thursday on or before the full moon in May, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. S. W. Seeman, president; Rev. G. H. Leonard, stated clerk and treasurer.

Tuscarawas.—Trinity Reformed Church, Canton, O., on Thursday, June 6, 1889, at 2 P. M. Rev. Dr. S. C. Goss, president; Rev. R. C. Zartman, stated clerk; Mr. Ephraim K. Kremer, treasurer.

Tiffin.—Bellevue, O., on Thursday, May 16, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. H. Buser, president; Rev. J. D. Neff, stated clerk and treasurer.

Eastern Ohio.—Paris, Stark Co., O., on Thursday before full moon in May, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. R. Keller, president; Rev. G. W. Henning, stated clerk; Rev. I. S. Hahn, treasurer.

St. Joseph.—St. Paul's Church, near Colon, Mich., on Wednesday evening preceding the last full moon in May, 1889. Rev. A. K. Zartman, president; Rev. J. R. Skinner, stated clerk; Rev. W. H. Xanders, treasurer.

SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

Zion's.—Magley, Adams Co., Ind, on Wednesday, June 12, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. C. Schaaf, president; Rev. H. W. Vitz, stated clerk; Rev. P. S. Kohler, treasurer.

Sheboygan.—Manitowoc, Wis., on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. C. T. Martin, president; Rev. D. W. Vriesen, stated clerk; Rev. L. Zink, treasurer. Indiana.—Terre Haute, Ind., on Wednesday, May 1, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. G. J. Reiche, president; Rev. H. M. Gersman, stated clerk; Mr. Herman Preefer, treasurer.

Milwaukee.—Waukesha, Wis., on Wednesday' June 12, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. F. Kuenzler, president; Rev. J. C. Huecker, stated clerk; Rev. H. C. Noll, treasurer.

Minnesota.—St. Paul, Minn., on Wednesday, June 12, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. C. Ochsner, president; Rev. Otto Vitz, stated clerk; Rev. H. Freik, treasurer.

Nebraska.—Yutan, Saunders Co., Neb., on Thursday before full moon in June, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. O. Kuhn, president; Rev. Wm. Bonekemper, stated clerk; Mr. A. Arpke, treasurer.

Ursinus.—Horn, Jasper Co., Iowa, on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. A. A. K. Heineman, president; Rev. W. Wittenwyler, stated clerk.

Missouri.—Zion's Church, near Neosho, Newton Co., Mo., on Thursday before full moon, in August, 1889, 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. Ziegler, president; Rev. J. Knierim, stated clerk; Rev. F. Maurer, treasurer.

Chicago.—First Reformed Church, 181 Hastings Street, Chicago, Ill., on Wednesday, (after Pentecost) June 12, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. C. G. Zipf, president; Rev. O. Esselborn, stated clerk; Mr. C. F. Blaul, treasurer.

South Dakota.—Rohrback, McPherson County, Dakota, on Friday, June 14, 1889, at 10 A. M. Rev. E. Scheidt, president; Rev. Frank Grether, stated clerk; Elder Peter Maag, treasurer.

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.

Westmoreland.—Emanuel's Church, June 12, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. W. H. Bates, president; Rev. J. F. Snyder, stated clerk.

Clarion.—St. Paul's Church, Plum Creek Charge, Armstrong Co., Pa., on Wednesday, May 22, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. S. Z. Beam, president; Rev. W. W. Deatrick, stated clerk; Rev. R. C. Bowling, treasurer.

St. Paul's.—Zion's Church, Shenango Charge, on Thursday, May 3, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. J. M. Shick, president; Rev. Dr. J. H. Apple, stated clerek; C. M. Boush, Esq., treasurer.

Somerset. — Shanksville, Somerset Co., Pa., May 29, 1889, at 7:45 P. M. Rev. A. R. Kremer,

president; Rev. C. H. Reiter, stated clerk; Rev. A. J. Heller, treasurer.

Allegheny.—Wilkinburg, Pa., on Thursday evening, May 16, 1889. Rev. J. S. Freeman, president; Rev. D. N. Harnish, stated clerk; Elder J. M. Convoy, treasurer.

SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.

Zion's.—Quickel's Church, York Co., Pa., May 17, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. A. Spangler, president; Rev. Dr. I. S. Weisz, stated clerk.

Maryland.—Keedysville, Md., on Thursday, May 23, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. S. M. Hench, president; Rev. S. S. Miller, stated clerk and tressurer

Mercersburg. — Trinity Reformed Church, Waynesboro, Pa., in evening, May 9, 1889. Rev. P. A. Long, president; Rev. Dr. W. M. Deatrick, stated clerk and treasurer.

Virginia.—Grace Church, Mill Creek Charge, Va., on Wednesday, May 22, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. Dr. S. N. Callender, president; Rev. A. K. Kline, stated clerk; Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, treasurer.

North Carolina.—"Brick Church," of Guilford Charge, N. C., on Wednesday, May 1, 1889, at 11 A. M. Rev. Thomas Long, president; Rev. Dr. G. W. Welker, stated clerk; Col. H. A. Forney, treasurer.

Gettysburg.—McKinghtstown, Pa., on Wednesday, May 15, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. H. Hartman, president; Rev. Dr. W. K. Zieber, stated clerk and treasurer.

Carlisle.—Marysville, Perry Co., Pa., on Thursday, May 57, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. W. I. Stewart, president; Rev. G. E. Addams, stated clerk and treasurer.

Juniata.—Everett, Bedford Co., Pa., on Wednesday, May 8, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. H. F. Long, president; Rev. D. G. Klein, stated clerk; Rev. Dr. F. A. Rupley, treasurer.

San Francisco.—No report received.

Portland, Oregon.—Rev. Dr. J. Gantenbein, president; Rev. G. Grædel, stated clerk; Mr. John A. Fischer, treasurer, (Portland, Oregon).

GERMAN SYNOD OF THE EAST.

New York.—Salem Reformed Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday, June 18, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. C. T. Heimberger, president; Rev. C. Brunner, stated clerk; Elder John Lutz, treasurer.

West New York.—Emanuel's Church, Buffalo, N. Y., on Thursday, June 27, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. F. Schaad, president; Rev. John Reck, stated clerk; Mr. C. R. Mennig, treasurer.

German Philadelphia.—Zion's Church, Reading, Pa., on Tuesday, June 18, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. A. G. Assman, president; Rev. A. E. Dahlman, stated clerk; Mr. Jacob Longendorf, treasurer.

German Maryland.—St. John Reformed Church, Baltimore, Md., on Wednesday, May 8, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. G. Facius, president; Rev. J. C. Hauser, stated clerk and treasurer.

West Pennsylvania.—St. Paul's Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. C. A. Limberg, president; Rev. C. Scheel, stated clerk; Mr. P. W. Seibert, treasurer.

CENTRAL SYNOD.

Heidelberg.—Findlay, O., on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. John Winter, president; Rev. J. H. Stepler, stated clerk; Elder John S. Zimmerman, treasurer.

Erie.—Ceylon, Erie Co., O., on Thursday, May 23, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. F. Forwick, president; Rev. Wm. Friebolin, stated clerk; Rev. J. H. C. Roentgen, treasurer.

St. John's.—Ragersville, Ohio, on Thursday, June 13, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. H. Beck, president; Rev. O. J. Accola, stated clerk; Rev. F. Strassner, treasurer.

Cincinnati.—Millville, Ohio, on Thursday, May 9, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. M. Grether, president; Rev. J. Bachman, stated clerk; Mr. Geo. F. Wendel, treasurer.

SYNOD OF THE INTERIOR.

Illinois.—Forreston, Illinois, on Wednesday, May 22, 1889, at 7:30 P. M. Rev. H. Bair, president; Rev. J. Wolbach, stated clerk; Rev. J. Sechler, treasurer.

Iowa.—No report received.

Kansas.—Topeka, Kansas, on Thursday, May 23, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. H. Shumaker, president; Rev. T. F. Stauffer, stated clerk; Rev. F. H. Keller, treasurer.

Wichita.—Iola, Allen Co., Kan., on Thursday, May 9, 1889, at 8 P. M. Rev. S. A. Alt, president and treasurer; Rev. D. B. Shuey, stated clerk.

Necrology.

Ministers of the Reformed Church who have died from September 1, 1887, to August 31, 1888.

REV. GEORGE H. MARTIN, D. D.—Born at Emmittsburg, Md., October 21, 1816. Confirmed at Emmittsburg May 28, 1835, by Rev. Elias Heiner, D. D. Preparatory studies at York, Pa. Graduated from Marshall College in 1839, and from Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., in 1841. Charges served: 1. In Southern Virginia, now mainly Middlebrook Charge, 1842-1848, six years. 2. Lovettsville Charge, Va., 1848-1865, seventeen years. 3. Woodstock, Va., 1865-1884, nineteen years. 4. Burkittsville, Md., 1884-1885, one year. 5. Timberville, Va., 1885 until death. Married Miss Esther Gaily in 1844. Degree of Doctor of Divinity conferred by Mercersburg College June 26, 1876. Died September 18, 1887, at Timberville, aged 70 years, 10 months and 27 days. Buried at Woodstock, Va.

REV. ALBERT GALLETIN DOLE.—Born at Glassboro, N. J., September 22, 1815. In youth united with Crown Street Reformed (Dutch) Church, Philadelphia, Pa. Educated at Rutger's College, New Brunswick, N. J., and at Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa., and graduated from Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, in 1843. Licensed and ordained in 1843. Served different pastoral charges, viz: Boonsboro, Md., 1843-1850. Fairfield, Ohio, 1850-1851. Milton, Pa., 1851-1864. West Philadelphia, Pa., 1864-1868. Shippensburg, Pa., 1869-1872. Huntingdon, Pa., 1872-1885. No charge because of infirmity 1885-1887. In his early ministry he married Miss Maria Jeffries. Died at Huntingdon, Pa., October 15, 1887, aged 72 years and 23 days.

REV. JONAS MICHAEL.—Born in Champaign County, Ohio, May 24, 1819. United with the Reformed Church at St. Paris, O., in 1842. Served a while as elder. Common school education. By order of Miami Classis studied theology under the direction of Rev. Jesse Richards about two years, 1857-1859. Licensed by Miami Classis October 8, 1859, and ordained November 4, 1859, as missionary to Williams County, O., and subsequently extended his labors to the State of Indiana, where he organized the Winamac Charge with four congregations, serving it eleven years, 1860-1871. Liberty Centre Charge 1871-1877, six years. Winamac Charge, 1877-1883, six years. No charge from 1883 to 1887, mainly on account of impaired health, though occasionally preaching. Died at Winamac, Ind., December 19, 1887, aged 68 years, 6 months and 25 days. Buried at Winamac.

REV. JEREMIAH H. GOOD, D. D.—Son of Philip Augustus and Elizabeth Good, born at Rehrersburg, Berks Co., Pa., November 22, 1822. In 1829 moved to Reading, Pa., where he received his primary education in the public schools and academy. In September, 1836, he started to Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa., spending two years in the preparatory department, and four in the college, and graduated with the highest honor in 1842. Rector of Preparatory Department of said college from 1843 to 1846, and at the same time pursuing his theological studies in the Theological Seminary, from which he graduated in 1846. Licensed and ordained in 1846, and in the fall of this year he went to Lancaster, Ohio, where he served the Lancaster and St. Matthew's

congregations 1846-1848, being, during this time, principal of a select school. Editor of the Western Missionary 1848-1853. Professor of Mathematics in Heidelberg College at Tiffin 1850-1868. Professor of Dogmatic and Practical Theology in Heidelberg Theological Seminary 1868-1888. He was gifted, scholarly, extensively informed, ready writer, genial and held in high estimation throughout the church. After protracted illness and suffering, he died at his residence in Tiffin, January 25, 1888, aged 65 years, 2 months and 3 days. Buried in cemetery at Tiffin.

REV. MOSES KIEFFER, D. D.-Born in Franklin Co., Pa., May 5, 1814. Graduated from Marshall College in 1838, and from Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., in 1839. Licensed and ordained in 1839. Pastor of these charges: Huntington, Md., 1839- Second Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., 18-1855. Professor of Heidelberg Theological Səminary at Tiffin, 1855-1867. Served Presbyterian Church, Sandusky, O., 1867-1869. Supplied several congregations in vicinity of Chambersburg, Pa., 1869-1870. Pastor at Greencastle, Pa., 1870-1873. Gettysburg, Pa., 1873-1882. Preached occasionally to some congregations in vicinity of Gettysburg, 1882-1887. Missionary in Sioux City, Iowa, for several months in summer of 1887. Returned in the fall to Sandusky, O., where he died February 3, 1888, aged 73 years, 8 months and 28 days. Buried in cemetery at Tiffin. Married twice: (1) To Miss Catharine Smith and (2) Mrs. Barney.

REV. DANIEL Y. HEISLER, D. D.—Born in Schuylkill County, Pa., June 1, 1820. Educated at Marshall College and Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., graduating from seminary in 1845. Licensed and ordained in 1845 by Mercersburg Classis. Pastor of following charges: Fannetsburg, Pa., 1845-1847. Columbia, Pa., 1847-1850. Lewisburg, Pa., 1850-1853. Hummelstown, Pa., 1858-1856. Sunbury, Pa., 1856-1858. Bethlehem, Pa., 1858-1866. Superintendent of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, 1866-1869. Mont Alto, Pa., 1869-1876. Retired because of infirmity, 1886-1888. Editor of the Lives of the Fathers after the death of Dr. H. Harbaugh. Died at Easton, Pa., February 5, 1888, aged 67 years, 8 months and 4 days. On the 8th, funeral services at Easton, Pa., and on the 9th, at Lewisburg, Pa., where he was buried.

REV. FREDERICK W. DECHANT.—Born at Macungie, Lehigh Co., Pa., December 25, 1814. Licensed and ordained in 1846, he having been married a short time previous to Miss Angeline Boyer. Served the following charges: Somerset, Ohio, 1846-1854. Bluffton, Ind., 1854-1858. Harmony, Pa., 1858-1865. Philadelphia, Egg Harbor congregation, N. J., 1865-1871. Served different congregations in vicinity of Reading, Pa., 1871-1888. Chaplain of Berks County Infirmary 1887-1888. Died in Reading, Pa., February 17, 1888, aged 73 years, 1 month and 23 days.

REV. HENRY IRVING COMFORT.—Born in Adams County, Pa., August 19, 1830. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., in 1858, taking an irregular course in the seminary. Licensed and ordained in 1858. Charges served: Mechanicstown, Md., 1858-1866. Germantown, Ohio, 1866-1867. Burkittsville, Md., 1867-1872. Grindstone Hill, Pa., 1872-1880. Residing at Chambersburg, Pa., without charge, 1880-1881. Bradford Charge, Ohio, Miami Classis, 1881-1882, one year. St. Paris Charge, O., 1882-1883, six months. Without charge two

years, residing at Frederick, Md., working part of the time at the carpenter trade and teaching. Burkittsville, Md., 1885-1887, and resigned on account of impaired health. Died at Burkittsville, Md., February 18, 1888, aged 58 years and 6 months. Buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Frederick, Md. He had been twice married, the second time to a daughter of Rev. Wm. F. Colliflower.

REV. NERO S. STRASSBURGER, D. D.-Son of Rev. John A. and Catharine A. Strassburger. Born in parsonage near Sellersville, Bucks Co., Pa., August 7, 1819. Graduated from Marshall College in 1844, and from the Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa., in 1847. Licensed May 13, 1847, and some time later ordained, by Goshenhoppen Classis. Charges served: Friedensburg Charge, Berks Co., Pa., 1847-1854. English Reformed Church, Pottstown, Pa., and also supplying Amity and Limerick, 1854-1863. Zion's congregation, Allentown, Pa., 1863-1881, beginning with twelve members and closing (1881) with 600 members. No regular charge, but supplied vacant pulpits and assisted brethren on special occasions, 1881-1888. Served as Stated Clerk of Goshenhoppen Classis fourteen years (1849-1863), of East Pennsylvania Classis seventeen years (1863-1880), and of Lehigh Classis eight years (1880-1888). About 1861 he prepared a Child's Catechism, and wrote criticisms on theological subjects, and other papers of value. Member of General Synod's committee to prepare constitution of church (1884-1887). Died at Allentown, Pa., June 27, 1888, aged 68 years, 10 months

REV. DANIEL RIEGEL.—Born in Codorus Township, York Co., Pa., August 2, 1808. Preparatory studies pursued at the seminary in York, Pa., and studied theology under Rev. Jonathan Oswald, then pastor of the Lutheran Church at York. Licensed and ordained in 1839, as a minister of the Reformed Church, on a call from the Dillsburg Charge in York County, Pa., which he served uninterruptedly for nearly fifty years, 1839-1888. Died at Dillsburg July 4, 1888, aged 79 years, 11 months and 2

days. His remains were laid to rest with appropriate religious services in the cemetery at the Franklin Church.

REV. ADOLPH J. MEYER.—Born in Hoboken, New Jersey, February 14, 1861. In 1868 he came with his parents to Ashland County, Ohio. Educated in Heidelberg College and Theological Seminary at Tiffin, 1882-1887, graduating from the seminary in 1887. Licensed and ordained in 1887. Accepted a call to the North Lima Charge, Mahoning Co., O., and preached his first sermon as pastor on Whit-Sunday, May 29, 1887, and his last sermon on Easter Sunday, April 1, 1888. In August, 1887, he was married to Miss Viola Griffith. Died of consumption at North Lima. O., July 9, 1888, aged 27 years, 4 months. and 25 days. His ministerial career was brief, but with approbation and success. Buried at North Lima.

REV. JOHN G. WIEHLE, D. D.—Died in Philadelphia, July 17, 1888, aged 71 years, 5 months and 18 days.

REV. HERMAN KORTHEUER, D. D.-Born at Coblentz, Rhenish Prussia, November 13, 1818, his father being a government official. He was liberally educated, and quite proficient in music. In 1840 he became a teacher in literature, botany and music at Monsingen. In 1846 he married Miss Malvina Zimmerman, who was a teacher in the royal family, and they together taught for ten years. During this time he also studied theology, and prepared for mission work in America. In 1855 he, with his family, emigrated to America, and located in Wisconsin, where he completed his theological studies under Rev. J. Bossard, Ph.D. In 1857 he was ordained at Findlay, O., where he labored two years as missionary, 1857-1859. At Terre Haute, Ind., five years, 1859-1864. Massillon, O., independent congregation, twelve years, 1864-1876. Teacher in Calvin College, Cleveland, O., six months, 1876-1877. Bucyrus, O., eleven years, 1877-1888. Died at Bucyrus, August 5, 1888, aged 69 years, 8 months and 22 days. Funeral 7th inst. Buried at Bucyrus. In 1877 he received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Franklin and Marshall College.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

Of the whole Reformed Church in the United States for ten years, 1878-1887.

THE RESERVE ASSESSMENT ASSESSMENT	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888
Synods	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	8	
Classes	45	46	48	48	50	52	52	53	52	55	
Ministers		734	746	752	767	783	780	788	802	822	
Congregations		1.384	1,395	1,426	1,432	1,465	1,461	1,468	1,481	1,512	
Members		154,742	161,002	163,669	166,586	169,530	172,949	177,037	183,980		
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(Infants	12,323	14,585	13,213	12,711	13,361	12,665		14,573			
		1,258	1,906		1,163	1,018		1,378	1,741	1,500	
Confirmed		10,368	9,113		9,531	9,233		10,079	10,733		
Additions Certificate	3,716		4,113	4,055	4,948	5,043		5,325	5,582	6,051	
Communed	120,681	125,043						140,749			
Dismissed	1,566	1,968	2,249			2,122	2,315	2,384	2,551	2,917	
Excommunicated		228	123	103		68	59	71	38	38	
Erased	512					1,699		2,424	2,381	2,760	
Deaths	4,887	5,031		4,980		4,787		4,934		4,852	
Sunday-Schools	1,237	1,319			1,344	1,378	1,360	1,374	1,422	1,464	
Sunday-School scholars Students for Ministry	89,982	98,888	103,511	104,700		114,720		116,873		129,713 207	
Students for Ministry	157	149	141	127	128	145	164	173	140 199		
Benevolent Purposes	\$ 61,727	66,237		92,937	133,816		127,284	114,087			
Congregational Purposes	\$ 531,929	599,399	630,221	666,444	746,999	779,572	747,725	746,122	804,321	841,292	

WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions Home Missions """ Beneficiary Education """ Society for Relief of Ministers Eastern Theological Seminary Western Franklin and Marshall College	General Synod (Joint Synods, Eastern) (Pittsburg and Potomac) German Synod of the East Ohio Synod Synod of the Northwest Eastern Synod Ohio Synod Pittsburgh Synod Potomac Synod General Synod Eastern Synod Castern Synod Eastern Synod Eastern Synod Eastern Synod Eastern Synod Eastern Synod	Hon. R. F. Kelker Charles Santee W. H. Seibert N. Wetzel Rev. J. J. Leberman Rev. C. Baum Rev. Chas. G. Fisher Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D. D Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, D.D Rev. Theo. Apple, D. D John B. Roth Horace Ankeney Jacob Bausman	Harrisburg, Pa. 532 N. Sixth St., Philadelphia. Harrisburg, Pa. 548 E. York St., Philadelphia. Louisville, Ohio. Wheatland, Iowa. 907 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa. Tiffin, Ohio. Mercersburg, Pa. Lancaster, Pa. Alpha, Greene Co., Ohio. Lancaster, Pa.
Heidelberg College Mercersburg College Ursinus College	Potomac Synod Eastern Synod	Frank M. Hobson	Tiffin, Ohio. Chambersburg, Pa. Freeland, Pa.
Sheboygan Mission House Bethany Orphan Home St. Paul's Orphan Home Missions among the Indians	Pittsburgh Synod Synod of the Northwest	C. G. Gross B. Wolf, jr Rev. Ludwig Zenk	Franklin, Sheboygan Co., Wis. 3716 Harverford St., Phila., Pa. 304 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa. Kiel, Wanitowoc Co., Wis.
Calvin College Reformed Orphan Home		Rev. Wm. Frieblin Rev. C. F. Kriete	149 Aaron St., Cleveland, Ohio. Fort Wayne, Ind.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS OF REFORMED CHURCH BY SYNODS.

Year.	Total Ministers.	Total Members.	Synod in U.S.	Ohio Synod.	Synod of the Northwest.	Pittsburgh Synod.	Potomac Synod.	Ger. Synod of the East.	Central Synod.	Synod of the Interior.	Total Benevolent Cont.
1870	522	116,529		\$11,119 98	\$9,954 35	\$8,558 96					\$76,000 64
1871	560	124,143	66,901 60		5,840 46				-		86,043 11
1872	574	128,771	45,561 29	8,323 11	5,029 71	8,056 19				2.5	66,970 30
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1874	600	135,600	41,101 67	12,767 02	8,466 45	11,157 89					86,217 95
1875	623	142,118	40,390 11	10,419 27	8,887 44	13,462 40	11,416 09				88,117 09
1876	650	143,609	36,367 50		9,988 00			3,706 00			78,096 41
1877	680	146,901	31,037 00	6,404 00	6,940 00	5,950 13					68,261 21
1878	710	147,788	22,782 00	7,032 00	7,980 00	5,816 00					61,727 00
1879	734	154,742	19,824 00			5,180 00	11,471 00			1.1.	66,237 00
1880	746	161,002	27,734 00	6,834 00		6,457 00					73,401 00
1881	752	163,669	35,859 00	18,816 00		7,249 00					92,937 00
1882	767	166,586	37,956 00	11,724 00		49,100 00					133,816 00
1883	783	169,530	37,158 00	11,915 00		11,898 00				Same Paris	101,148 00
1884	780	172,949	45,705 00	10,783 13		11,076 49					127,284 52
1885	788	177,037	47,205 00	11,082 00		8,614 00					114,087 00
1886	802	183,980	59,744 00	14,825 00	10,252 00	8,824 00			8,893 00		141,122 00
1887	822	190,527	60,931 00	13,203 00	13,573 00	11,308 00	30,366 00	6,223 00	8,769 00	\$2,924 001	147,297 00

GENERAL SYNOD—ITS MEETINGS AND OFFICERS.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States was organized in Grace Reformed Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., November 18, 1863.

Time.	Place.	President.	Stated Clerk.	Treasurer.	Synods Repre-	Memb	ers Prese	ent.
Time.	Trace.	Tresident.	Stated Clerk.	reasurer.	sented.	Minis- ters.	Elders.	Total
1869, Nov. 24 1872, Nov. 27 1875, May 19 1878, May 15 1881, May 18 1884, May 7	Dayton, Ohio Philadelphia, Pa. Cincinnati, Ohio Ft. Wayne, Ind Lancaster, Pa. Tiffin, Ohio Baltimore, Md.	J. W. Nevin, D. D., D. Zacharias, D. D., E. V. Gerhart, D. D., J. H. Klein, D. D. W. K. Zieber, D. D., D. Van Horne, D. D., J. H. Good, D. D., B. Bausman, D. D., G. W. Welker, D. D.,	I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D. I.H.Reiter, D.D.	John Wiest Wm. D. Gross,	4 6 6 6	68 76 98 104 79 83 85 86 90	31 51 89 83 69 70 68 67 72	99 127 187 187 148 153 153 153 162

PERIODICALS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

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CHRISTIAN WORLD	131	S	Jefferso	n St.,	Daytor	n, O.	Weekly	1848
THE HEIDELBERG TEACHER	66		"	"	"	"	Quarterly	1873
SCHOLARS' QUARTERLY	"		"	"	"	"	"	
Lesson Leaves	1 .66		111 66	"	"	"	Monthly	1879
Leaves of Light	"		"	"	"	"	Semi-Monthly	1873
GOLDEN WORDS	"		46	"	"	"	The state of the s	
LITTLE PEARLS	"		66	"	"	66	Weekly	
THE MESSENGER	907		eh St., I			Pa.		
THE GUARDIAN	1	"	""			"	Monthly	
SCHOLARS' QUARTERLY		"			Congress of	"	Quarterly	
THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL TREASURY		"	"	· Julia	•	"	Semi-Monthly	
Sunshine	and a	"	"		•	"	Weekly	
REFORMED CHURCH REVIEW		"		•	•	66	Quarterly	
ORPHANS' FRIEND	But	tler,	Butler	Co., :	Pa		Monthly	1877
MISSIONARY SENTINAL AND HERALD.	Lai	icas	ter, Pa.				"	1880
COLLEGE STUDENT		"	"				(f) (p)	1880
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REFORMIRTE HAUSFREUND			g, Pa					1866
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LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE RECORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	PRESIDENT.
Franklin and Marshall College.	Lancaster, Pa	T. G. Apple, D. D.
Heidelberg College	Tiffin, Ohio	Geo. W. Williard, D. D.
Catawba College	Newton, N. C	J. C. Clapp, D. D.
Mercersburg College	Mercersburg, Pa	G. W. Aughinbaugh, D. D.
Clarion Collegiate Institute	Rimersburg, Clarion Co., Pa.	W. W. Deatrick, A. M.
Palatinate Collegiate Institute	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	W. C. Schaeffer, A. M.
Juniata Collegiate Institute	Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa	P. H. Bridenbaugh, A. B.
Greensburg Collegiate Institute.	Greensburg, Pa	Lucian, Cort, A. M.
Ursinus College	Collegeville, Mont. Co., Pa	J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D.
Calvin College	Cleveland, Ohio	H. J. Ruetenik, D. D.
Eastern Theological Seminary	Lancaster, Pa	E. V. Gerhart, D. D.
Western Theological Seminary	Tiffin, Ohio	David Van Horne, D. D.
Mission House	Franklin, Wisconsin	H. A. Muehlmeier, D. D.
Allentown Female College	Allentown, Pa	W. M. Reily, Ph. D.
College of Northern Illinois	Dakota, Illinois	F. Wetzel, A. M.
Pleasantville Collegiate Institute	Pleasantville, Ohio	The seminary of the selection of the sel
International Academy	Portland, Oregon	J. Gantenbein, D. D.
Claremont Female College	Hickory, N. C	Mrs. C. V. B. Bonney.
Edgehill Family School	Littlestown, Pa	W. E. Krebs, A. M.
Girl's School	Sendai, Japan	Miss Lizzie Poorbaugh.
Young Men's School	Yamagata, Japan	J. P. Moore.
Training School	Sendai, Japan	W. E. Hoy.

AGED MINISTERS IN THE REFORMED CHURCH.

The following named ministers, who have been ordained fifty years or more, are still living:

Names.	Ordained.	P. O. Address.
David Kæmmerer, D. D	1827	Wooster, Ohio.
John C. Bucher, D. D	1828	Lewisburg, Pa.
Charles W. Shultz	1830	Camden, N. J.
Ferdinand E. Vandersloot	1830	Herndon, Va.
George W. Glessner, D. D	1832	Shippensburg, Pa.
Peter Herbruck, D. D	1834	Canton, Ohio.
Rudolph Duenger, D. D	1834	Ashland, Pa.
John C. Hensell	1835	Mt. Crawford, Va.
Thomas H. Winters	1835	Xenia, Ohio.
John Kercher	1836	La Rose, Ill.
Jacob Ziegler	1837	York, Pa.
Daniel Feete	1837	Norristown, Pa.
John H. A. Bomberger, D. D	1838	Collegeville, Pa.
Jesse Steiner	1838	Millerstown, Ohio.
Henry Harnhart	1838	Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE MOVEABLE FESTIVALS.

The days on which they will fall in the next twelve years, from 1889 to 1900 inclusive, or to the end of the nineteenth century.

Year A. D.	Easter.	Ascension.	Pentecost.	Trinity.	Advent.
1889	April 21	May 30	June 9	June 16	December 1
1890	6	" 15	May 25	" 1	November 30
1891	March 29	" m.7	" 17	May 24	" 29
1892	April 17	" 26	June 5	June 12	27
1893	2	" 11	May 21	May 28	December 3
1894	March 25	" 3	" 13	" 20	2
	April 14			June 9	
1896	5			May 31	
1897	" 18			June 13	
1898	" 10			" 5	
1899	2			May 28	
1900	" 15	" 24	June 3	June 10	" 2

Organization of Synods.

The Synod in the United States organized at Philadelphia, Pa., September 29, 1747.

The Synod of Ohio organized at New Philadelphia, Ohio, June 14, 1824.

The Synod of the Northwest organized at Ft. Wayne, Ind., May 29, 1867.

The Synod of Pittsburgh organized at Pittsburgh, Pa., February 12, 1870.

The Synod of the Potomac organized at Frederick City, Md., April 18, 1873.

The German Synod of the East organized at Philadelphia, Pa., January 12, 1875.

The Central Synod organized at Galion, O., November 3, 1881.

The Synod of the Interior was organized at Kansas City, Mo., September 29, 1887.

Officers of General Synod.

Rev. George Wm. Welker, D. D., President, Lamont, N. C.

Rev. Samuel N. Callender, D. D., Vice-President, Rockingham, Va.

Rev. Charles Schaaf, Vice-President, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Rev. Isaac H. Reiter, D. D., Stated Clerk, Miamisburg, O.

Rev. Jacob Dahlman, D. D., Assistant Clerk, Akron, O.

Alphabetical Register of the Ministers of the Reformed Church in the United States.

[Note.—In order to render this register as valuable as possible, we give not only the name and post-office address, but also the year of ordination and the place of theological preparation. E stands for Eastern Theological Seminary, formerly Mercersburg, now Lancaster; H for Heidelberg Seminary; MH for Mission House; U for Ursinus College; MER for Mercersburg College; Y for York and Carlisle. We have aimed to make it as correct as possible. Those officiating in the German language, or in both German and English, are marked with an 0.]

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Albright John H Colon Michigan H85	Brown, Franklin W., North Washington, Pa MER81
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Appel, Richard S., Hamburg, Berks county, Pa071	Brunoehl, Ernst, Ada, Sheboygan county, Wis
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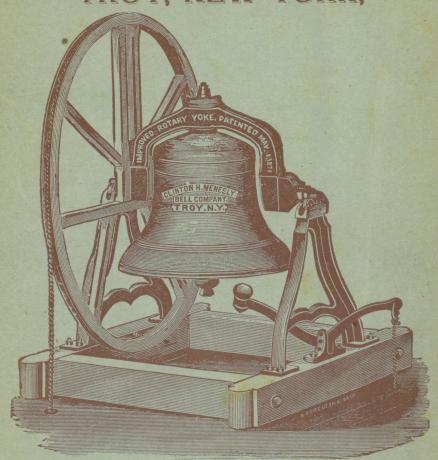
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